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FOREST FIRE STATISTICS

This is a compilation of forest fire statistics covering the Calendar Year 1955 as reported to the United States Forest Service by its field offices, cooperating States, the Department of the Interior, and the Tennessee Valley Authority.

The figures are shown separately by the individual States reporting and totals are also given for certain geographical groups of States. The tabulation is prepared in the following sections:

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SUMMARY OF FOREST FIRE STATISTICS FOR 1955
Areas needing protection; areas protected and unprotected; number of fires and area burned on both protected and unprotected forest lands (Pages 1 to 4).

NUMBER OF FOREST FIRES BY CAUSE AND SIZE
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The statistics shown are the most reliable information which State and Federal protection agencies were able to obtain.

Since no field organizations are available in unprotected areas to report fires, the statistics on such unprotected areas are merely the best estimates by the States. No estimates were obtained for State and private lands in Arizona, Nebraska, Kansas, and Wyoming.

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SUMMARY OF FOREST FIRE STATISTICS FOR THE UNITED STATES — CALENDAR YEAR 1955

FOR PROTECTED AND UNPROTECTED AREAS, BY STATES AND GROUPS OF STATES

(Group totals are indicated following the individual States of the group)

GROUP AND STATE	OWNERSHIP	FOREST AREA 1/				NUMBER OF FIRES					AREA BURNED					BURNED PORTION OF AREA	
		Needing Protection	Protected	Unprotected	Percent of Forest Area Protected	TOTAL	On Protected Area		On Unprotected Area		TOTAL	On Protected Area		On Unprotected Area		Protected	Unprotected
		M Acres	M Acres	M Acres		Number	Number	%	Number	%	Acres	Acres	%	Acres	%	%	%
UNITED STATES (Exclusive of Alaska)	Federal	217,037	216,728	309	99.86	6,830	6,830	100.00	--	--	644,617	364,017	56.47	280,600	43.53	.17	90.81
	State & Private	431,109	387,156	43,953	89.79	138,350	80,774	58.38	57,576	41.62	7,423,984	2,448,191	32.98	4,975,793	67.02	.63	11.32
	TOTAL	648,146	603,884	44,262	93.17	145,180	87,604	60.34	57,576	39.66	8,068,601	2,812,208	34.85	5,256,393	65.15	.47	11.88
ALASKA	Federal	153,666	34,949	118,717	22.74	84	84	100.00	--	--	34,585	34,585	100.00	--	--	.10	--
	Private	Data Incomplete															
	TOTAL	153,666	34,949	118,717	22.74	84	84	100.00	--	--	34,585	34,585	100.00	--	--	.10	--
ROCKY MOUNTAIN GROUP																	
ARIZONA	Federal	18,920	18,920	--	100.00	968	968	100.00	--	--	27,676	27,676	100.00	--	--	.15	--
	State & Private	Data Incomplete															
	TOTAL	18,920	18,920	--	100.00	968	968	100.00	--	--	27,676	27,676	100.00	--	--	.15	--
COLORADO	Federal	17,734	17,734	--	100.00	259	259	100.00	--	--	2,674	2,674	100.00	--	--	.01	--
	State & Private	7,475	7,472	3	99.96	282	282	100.00	--	--	3,601	3,601	100.00	--	--	.04	--
	TOTAL	25,209	25,206	3	99.98	541	541	100.00	--	--	6,275	6,275	100.00	--	--	.02	--
IDAHO	Federal	22,171	22,171	--	100.00	531	531	100.00	--	--	5,990	5,990	100.00	--	--	.02	--
	State & Private	6,963	6,963	--	100.00	315	315	100.00	--	--	7,786	7,786	100.00	--	--	.11	--
	TOTAL	29,134	29,134	--	100.00	846	846	100.00	--	--	13,776	13,776	100.00	--	--	.04	--
MONTANA	Federal	21,189	21,189	--	100.00	346	346	100.00	--	--	5,746	5,746	100.00	--	--	.02	--
	State & Private	6,000	6,000	--	100.00	240	240	100.00	--	--	346	346	100.00	--	--	.006	--
	TOTAL	27,189	27,189	--	100.00	586	586	100.00	--	--	6,092	6,092	100.00	--	--	.02	--
NEBRASKA	Federal	342	342	--	100.00	4	4	100.00	--	--	98	98	100.00	--	--	.02	--
	State & Private	Data Incomplete															
	TOTAL	342	342	--	100.00	4	4	100.00	--	--	98	98	100.00	--	--	.02	--
NEVADA	Federal	10,987	10,987	--	100.00	29	29	100.00	--	--	3,202	3,202	100.00	--	--	.02	--
	State & Private	2,150	2,150	--	100.00	39	39	100.00	--	--	1,512	1,512	100.00	--	--	.07	--
	TOTAL	13,137	13,137	--	100.00	68	68	100.00	--	--	4,714	4,714	100.00	--	--	.03	--
NEW MEXICO	Federal	13,785	13,785	--	100.00	410	410	100.00	--	--	1,337	1,337	100.00	--	--	.009	--
	State & Private	4,060	1,360	2,700	33.50	50	44	88.00	6	12.00	163	157	96.32	6	3.68	.01	neg
	TOTAL	17,845	15,145	2,700	84.87	460	454	98.69	6	1.31	1,500	1,494	99.60	6	.40	.01	neg
SOUTH DAKOTA	Federal	2,342	2,342	--	100.00	71	71	100.00	--	--	16	16	100.00	--	--	.001	--
	State & Private	896	896	--	100.00	33	33	100.00	--	--	273	273	100.00	--	--	.03	--
	TOTAL	3,238	3,238	--	100.00	104	104	100.00	--	--	289	289	100.00	--	--	.009	--
UTAH	Federal	15,704	15,704	--	100.00	107	107	100.00	--	--	1,048	1,048	100.00	--	--	.006	--
	State & Private	5,721	5,721	--	100.00	64	64	100.00	--	--	997	997	100.00	--	--	.01	--
	TOTAL	21,425	21,425	--	100.00	171	171	100.00	--	--	2,045	2,045	100.00	--	--	.009	--
WYOMING	Federal	12,436	12,436	--	100.00	124	124	100.00	--	--	5,463	5,463	100.00	--	--	.04	--
	State & Private	1,557	533	1,024	34.23	Data Incomplete											
	TOTAL	13,993	12,969	1,024	92.68	124	124	100.00	--	--	5,463	5,463	100.00	--	--	.04	--
GROUP TOTAL 1955	Federal	135,610	135,610	--	100.00	2,849	2,849	100.00	--	--	53,250	53,250	100.00	--	--	.03	--
	State & Private	34,822	31,095	3,727	89.30	1,023	1,017	99.41	6	.59	14,678	14,672	99.96	6	.04	.04	--
	TOTAL	170,432	166,705	3,727	97.81	3,872	3,866	99.84	6	.16	67,928	67,922	99.99	6	.01	.04	neg

1/ Includes 15,391 M acres State and privately-owned nonforest critical watershed areas.

PACIFIC GROUP																	
CALIFORNIA	Federal	22,663	22,663	--	100.00	1,085	1,085	100.00	--	--	150,503	150,503	100.00	--	--	.66	--
	State & Private	19,500	19,500	--	100.00	2,070	2,070	100.00	--	--	209,141	209,141	100.00	--	--	1.07	--
	TOTAL	42,163	42,163	--	100.00	3,155	3,155	100.00	--	--	359,644	359,644	100.00	--	--	.85	--
HAWAII	Federal	46	46	--	100.00	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
	State & Private	1,735	1,735	--	100.00	7	7	100.00	--	--	823	823	100.00	--	--	.06	--
	TOTAL	1,781	1,781	--	100.00	7	7	100.00	--	--	823	823	100.00	--	--	.06	--
OREGON	Federal	18,794	18,794	--	100.00	855	855	100.00	--	--	18,224	18,224	100.00	--	--	.09	--
	State & Private	11,995	11,995	--	100.00	647	647	100.00	--	--	29,690	29,690	100.00	--	--	.24	--
	TOTAL	30,789	30,789	--	100.00	1,502	1,502	100.00	--	--	47,914	47,914	100.00	--	--	.15	--
WASHINGTON	Federal	12,653	12,653	--	100.00	303	303	100.00	--	--	242	242	100.00	--	--	.002	--
	State & Private	12,329	12,329	--	100.00	736	736	100.00	--	--	1,292	1,292	100.00	--	--	.01	--
	TOTAL	24,982	24,982	--	100.00	1,039	1,039	100.00	--	--	1,534	1,534	100.00	--	--	.006	--
GROUP TOTAL 1955	Federal	54,156	54,156	--	100.00	2,243	2,243	100.00	--	--	168,969	168,969	100.00	--	--	.31	--
	State & Private	45,559	45,559	--	100.00	3,460	3,460	100.00	--	--	240,946	240,946	100.00	--	--	.53	--
	TOTAL	99,715	99,715	--	100.00	5,703	5,703	100.00	--	--	409,915	409,915	100.00	--	--	.41	--
NORTH CENTRAL GROUP																	
ILLINOIS	Federal	232	232	--	100.00	13	13	100.00	--	--	256	256	100.00	--	--	.11	--
	State & Private	3,755	3,755	--	100.00	460	460	100.00	--	--	11,277	11,277	100.00	--	--	.30	--
	TOTAL	3,987	3,987	--	100.00	473	473	100.00	--	--	11,533	11 533	100.00	--	--	.29	--
INDIANA	Federal	119	119	--	100.00	2	2	100.00	--	--	77	77	100.00	--	--	.06	--
	State & Private	4,255	4,255	--	100.00	271	271	100.00	--	--	2,951	2,951	100.00	--	--	.07	--
	TOTAL	4,374	4,374	--	100.00	273	273	100.00	--	--	3,028	3,028	100.00	--	--	.07	--
IOWA	Federal	14	14	--	100.00	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
	State & Private	1,968	1,968	--	100.00	21	21	100.00	--	--	502	502	100.00	--	--	.02	--
	TOTAL	1,982	1,982	--	100.00	21	21	100.00	--	--	502	502	100.00	--	--	.02	--
MICHIGAN	Federal	2,730	2,730	--	100.00	43	43	100.00	--	--	336	336	100.00	--	--	.01	--
	State & Private	17,124	17,124	--	100.00	1,289	1,289	100.00	--	--	7,532	7,532	100.00	--	--	.04	--
	TOTAL	19,854	19,854	--	100.00	1,332	1,332	100.00	--	--	7,868	7,868	100.00	--	--	.04	--
MINNESOTA	Federal	3,409	3,409	--	100.00	89	89	100.00	--	--	36,607	36,607	100.00	--	--	1.07	--
	State & Private	17,996	17,996	--	100.00	1,065	1,065	100.00	--	--	38,544	38,544	100.00	--	--	.21	--
	TOTAL	21,405	21,405	--	100.00	1,154	1,154	100.00	--	--	75,151	75,151	100.00	--	--	.35	--
MISSOURI	Federal	1,378	1,378	--	100.00	205	205	100.00	--	--	768	768	100.00	--	--	.05	--
	State & Private	13,835	8,018	5,817	57.95	4,533	2,033	44.85	2,500	55.15	274,890	24,890	9.05	250,000	90.95	.31	4.30
	TOTAL	15,213	9,396	5,817	61.76	4,738	2,238	47.24	2,500	52.76	275,658	25,658	9.31	250,000	90.69	.27	4.30
NORTH DAKOTA	Federal	1,143	1,143	--	100.00	3	3	100.00	--	--	254	254	100.00	--	--	.02	--
	State & Private	919	375	544	40.81	177	42	23.73	135	76.27	3,168	368	11.62	2,800	88.38	.09	.51
	TOTAL	2,062	1,518	544	73.62	180	45	25.00	135	75.00	3,422	622	18.18	2,800	81.82	.04	.51
OHIO	Federal	104	104	--	100.00	17	17	100.00	--	--	48	48	100.00	--	--	.05	--
	State & Private	4,973	4,973	--	100.00	635	635	100.00	--	--	2,813	2,813	100.00	--	--	.06	--
	TOTAL	5,077	5,077	--	100.00	652	652	100.00	--	--	2,861	2,861	100.00	--	--	.06	--
WISCONSIN	Federal	1,881	1,881	--	100.00	24	24	100.00	--	--	312	312	100.00	--	--	.02	--
	State & Private	15,590	15,590	--	100.00	899	899	100.00	--	--	3,474	3,474	100.00	--	--	.02	--
	TOTAL	17,471	17,471	--	100.00	923	923	100.00	--	--	3,786	3,786	100.00	--	--	.02	--
GROUP TOTAL 1955	Federal	11,010	11,010	--	100.00	396	396	100.00	--	--	38,658	38,658	100.00	--	--	.35	--
	State & Private	80,415	74,054	6,361	92.09	9,350	6,715	71.82	2,635	28.18	345,151	92,351	26.76	252,800	73.24	.12	3.97
	TOTAL	91,425	85,064	6,361	93.04	9,746	7,111	72.96	2,635	27.04	383,809	131,009	34.13	252,800	65.87	.15	3.97

GROUP AND STATE	OWNERSHIP	FOREST AREA				NUMBER OF FIRES					AREA BURNED					BURNED PORTION OF AREA	
		Needing Protection	Protected	Unprotected	Percent of Forest Area Protected	TOTAL	On Protected Area		On Unprotected Area		TOTAL	On Protected Area		On Unprotected Area		Protected	Unprotected
		M Acres	M Acres	M Acres		Number	Number	%	Number	%	Acres	Acres	%	Acres	%	%	%
SOUTHERN GROUP																	
ALABAMA	Federal	679	679	--	100.00	115	115	100.00	—	--	1,148	1,148	100.00	—	--	.17	—
	State & Private	19,990	19,990	--	100.00	6,909	6,909	100.00	—	--	208,676	208,676	100.00	—	—	1.04	—
	TOTAL	20,669	20,669	--	100.00	7,024	7,024	100.00	—	--	209,824	209,824	100.00	--	—	1.02	—
ARKANSAS	Federal	2,598	2,598	--	100.00	125	125	100.00	--	--	590	590	100.00	--	--	.02	--
	State & Private	16,962	16,159	803	95.27	4,376	2,376	54.30	2,000	45.70	117,597	32,597	27.72	85,000	72.28	.20	10.59
	TOTAL	19,560	18,757	803	95.89	4,501	2,501	55.57	2,000	44.43	118,187	33,187	28.08	85,000	71.92	.18	10.59
FLORIDA	Federal	1,273	1,273	--	100.00	188	188	100.00	--	--	24,123	24,123	100.00	—	--	1.89	--
	State & Private	19,940	14,929	5,011	74.87	40,882	8,040	19.67	32,842	80.33	3,699,630	415,468	11.23	3,284,162	88.77	2.78	65.54
	TOTAL	21,213	16,202	5,011	76.38	41,070	8,228	20.03	32,842	79.97	3,723,753	439,591	11.81	3,284,162	88.19	2.71	65.54
GEORGIA	Federal	1,143	834	309	72.96	28	28	100.00	--	--	284,514	3,914	1.38	280,600	98.62	.47	90.81
	State & Private	22,505	21,361	1,144	94.92	11,678	10,264	87.89	1,414	12.11	513,945	256,445	49.90	257,500	50.10	1.20	22.51
	TOTAL	23,648	22,195	1,453	93.86	11,706	10,292	87.92	1,414	12.08	798,459	260,359	32.61	538,100	67.39	1.17	37.03
LOUISIANA	Federal	592	592	--	100.00	67	67	100.00	--	--	272	272	100.00	—	--	.05	--
	State & Private	14,141	11,155	2,986	78.88	6,800	6,600	97.06	200	2.94	112,077	100,077	89.29	12,000	10.71	.90	.40
	TOTAL	14,733	11,747	2,986	79.73	6,867	6,667	97.09	200	2.91	112,349	100,349	89.32	12,000	10.68	.85	.40
MISSISSIPPI	Federal	1,179	1,179	--	100.00	248	248	100.00	--	--	2,476	2,476	100.00	—	—	.21	—
	State & Private	15,314	12,170	3,144	79.47	20,069	6,935	34.56	13,134	65.44	760,556	103,856	13.66	656,700	86.34	.85	20.89
	TOTAL	16,493	13,349	3,144	80.94	20,317	7,183	35.35	13,134	64.65	763,032	106,332	13.94	656,700	86.06	.80	20.89
NORTH CAROLINA	Federal	1,481	1,481	--	100.00	71	71	100.00	--	--	59,161	59,161	100.00	--	--	3.99	--
	State & Private	16,920	15,697	1,223	92.77	4,309	3,746	86.93	563	13.07	617,908	596,382	96.52	21,526	3.48	3.80	1.76
	TOTAL	18,401	17,178	1,223	93.35	4,380	3,817	87.15	563	12.85	677,069	655,543	96.82	21,526	3.18	3.82	1.76
OKLAHOMA	Federal	296	296	--	100.00	32	32	100.00	--	--	253	253	100.00	--	--	.09	--
	State & Private	9,779	3,591	6,188	36.72	1,523	523	34.34	1,000	65.66	126,856	29,856	23.54	97,000	76.46	.83	1.57
	TOTAL	10,075	3,887	6,188	38.58	1,555	555	35.69	1,000	64.31	127,109	30,109	23.69	97,000	76.31	.77	1.57
SOUTH CAROLINA	Federal	622	622	—	100.00	119	119	100.00	--	--	6,878	6,878	100.00	--	--	1.11	--
	State & Private	11,300	11,300	—	100.00	5,179	5,179	100.00	--	--	131,205	131,205	100.00	—	—	1.16	--
	TOTAL	11,922	11,922	—	100.00	5,298	5,298	100.00	--	--	138,083	138,083	100.00	--	--	1.15	--
TENNESSEE	Federal	920	920	--	100.00	111	111	100.00	--	--	1,468	1,468	100.00	—	--	.16	--
	State & Private	11,967	9,544	2,423	79.75	3,531	2,827	80.06	704	19.94	71,641	31,521	44.00	40,120	56.00	.33	1.66
	TOTAL	12,887	10,464	2,423	81.17	3,642	2,938	80.67	704	19.33	73,109	32,989	45.12	40,120	54.88	.32	1.66
TEXAS	Federal	820	820	--	100.00	107	107	100.00	--	--	406	406	100.00	--	--	.05	—
	State & Private	14,707	8,429	6,278	57.31	2,615	2,174	83.14	441	16.86	40,156	24,329	60.59	15,827	39.41	.29	.25
	TOTAL	15,527	9,249	6,278	59.57	2,722	2,281	83.80	441	16.20	40,562	24,735	60.98	15,827	39.02	.27	.25
GROUP TOTAL 1955	Federal	11,603	11,294	309	97.33	1,211	1,211	100.00	—	--	381,289	100,689	26.41	280,600	73.59	.89	90.81
	State & Private	173,525	144,325	29,200	83.17	107,871	55,573	51.52	52,298	48.48	6,400,247	1,930,412	30.16	4,469,835	69.84	1.34	15.31
	TOTAL	185,128	155,619	29,509	84.06	109,082	56,784	52.06	52,298	47.94	6,781,536	2,031,101	29.95	4,750,435	70.05	1.31	16.10

EASTERN GROUP																	
CONNECTICUT	Federal	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
	State & Private	1,907	1,907	--	100.00	639	639	100.00	--	--	2,210	2,210	100.00	--	--	.12	--
	TOTAL	1,907	1,907	--	100.00	639	639	100.00	--	--	2,210	2,210	100.00	--	--	.12	--
DELAWARE	Federal	1	1	--	100.00	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
	State & Private	440	440	--	100.00	63	63	100.00	--	--	380	380	100.00	--	--	.09	--
	TOTAL	441	441	--	100.00	63	63	100.00	--	--	380	380	100.00	--	--	.09	--
KENTUCKY	Federal	574	574	--	100.00	31	31	100.00	--	--	391	391	100.00	--	--	.07	--
	State & Private	11,253	6,588	4,665	58.54	3,952	1,315	33.27	2,637	66.73	287,354	34,202	11.90	253,152	88.10	.52	5.43
	TOTAL	11,827	7,162	4,665	60.55	3,983	1,346	33.79	2,637	66.21	287,745	34,593	12.02	253,152	87.98	.48	5.43
MAINE	Federal	94	94	--	100.00	13	13	100.00	--	--	17	17	100.00	--	--	.02	--
	State & Private	16,692	16,692	--	100.00	490	490	100.00	--	--	1,782	1,782	100.00	--	--	.01	--
	TOTAL	16,786	16,786	--	100.00	503	503	100.00	--	--	1,799	1,799	100.00	--	--	.01	--
MARYLAND	Federal	4	4	--	100.00	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
	State & Private	2,686	2,686	--	100.00	371	371	100.00	--	--	1,872	1,872	100.00	--	--	.07	--
	TOTAL	2,690	2,690	--	100.00	371	371	100.00	--	--	1,872	1,872	100.00	--	--	.07	--
MASSACHUSETTS	Federal	2	2	--	100.00	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
	State & Private	3,293	3,293	--	100.00	3,620	3,620	100.00	--	--	9,223	9,223	100.00	--	--	.28	--
	TOTAL	3,295	3,295	--	100.00	3,620	3,620	100.00	--	--	9,223	9,223	100.00	--	--	.28	--
NEW HAMPSHIRE	Federal	677	677	--	100.00	4	4	100.00	--	--	1	1	100.00	--	--	neg	--
	State & Private	4,176	4,176	--	100.00	463	463	100.00	--	--	665	665	100.00	--	--	.02	--
	TOTAL	4,853	4,853	--	100.00	467	467	100.00	--	--	666	666	100.00	--	--	.01	--
NEW JERSEY	Federal	1	1	--	100.00	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
	State & Private	2,294	2,294	--	100.00	1,333	1,333	100.00	--	--	21,460	21,460	100.00	--	--	.94	--
	TOTAL	2,295	2,295	--	100.00	1,333	1,333	100.00	--	--	21,460	21,460	100.00	--	--	.94	--
NEW YORK	Federal	18	18	--	100.00	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
	State & Private	13,423	13,423	--	100.00	1,720	1,720	100.00	--	--	23,127	23,127	100.00	--	--	.17	--
	TOTAL	13,441	13,441	--	100.00	1,720	1,720	100.00	--	--	23,127	23,127	100.00	--	--	.17	--
PENNSYLVANIA	Federal	474	474	--	100.00	4	4	100.00	--	--	21	21	100.00	--	--	.004	--
	State & Private	14,659	14,659	--	100.00	1,259	1,259	100.00	--	--	33,774	33,774	100.00	--	--	.23	--
	TOTAL	15,133	15,133	--	100.00	1,263	1,263	100.00	--	--	33,795	33,795	100.00	--	--	.22	--
RHODE ISLAND	Federal	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
	State & Private	452	452	--	100.00	129	129	100.00	--	--	697	697	100.00	--	--	.15	--
	TOTAL	452	452	--	100.00	129	129	100.00	--	--	697	697	100.00	--	--	.15	--
VERMONT	Federal	230	230	--	100.00	3	3	100.00	--	--	1	1	100.00	--	--	neg	--
	State & Private	3,504	3,504	--	100.00	110	110	100.00	--	--	201	201	100.00	--	--	.006	--
	TOTAL	3,734	3,734	--	100.00	113	113	100.00	--	--	202	202	100.00	--	--	.005	--
VIRGINIA	Federal	1,679	1,679	--	100.00	58	58	100.00	--	--	1,807	1,807	100.00	--	--	.11	--
	State & Private	12,971	12,971	--	100.00	1,506	1,506	100.00	--	--	15,841	15,841	100.00	--	--	.12	--
	TOTAL	14,650	14,650	--	100.00	1,564	1,564	100.00	--	--	17,648	17,648	100.00	--	--	.12	--
WEST VIRGINIA	Federal	904	904	--	100.00	18	18	100.00	--	--	213	213	100.00	--	--	.02	--
	State & Private	9,038	9,038	--	100.00	991	991	100.00	--	--	24,376	24,376	100.00	--	--	.27	--
	TOTAL	9,942	9,942	--	100.00	1,009	1,009	100.00	--	--	24,589	24,589	100.00	--	--	.25	--
GROUP TOTAL 1955	Federal	4,658	4,658	--	100.00	131	131	100.00	--	--	2,451	2,451	100.00	--	--	.05	--
	State & Private	96,788	92,123	4,665	95.18	16,646	14,009	84.16	2,637	15.84	422,962	169,810	40.15	253,152	59.85	.18	5.43
	TOTAL	101,446	96,781	4,665	95.40	16,777	14,140	84.28	2,637	15.72	425,413	172,261	40.49	253,152	59.51	.18	5.43

NUMBER OF FOREST FIRES IN THE UNITED STATES BY CAUSE AND SIZE - CALENDAR YEAR 1955

PROTECTED AREAS ONLY - BY STATES AND GROUPS OF STATES

GROUP AND STATE	OWNERSHIP	NUMBER OF FIRES - BY CAUSE									NUMBER OF FIRES - BY SIZE			
		Lightning	Railroads	Campers	Smokers	Debris Burning	Incendiary	Lumbering	Miscellaneous	TOTAL	Under 1/4 Acre	1/4 - 10 Acres	Over 10 Acres	TOTAL
UNITED STATES (Exclusive of Alaska)	Federal	3,733	53	643	1,005	155	614	134	493	6,830	4,238	2,021	571	6,830
	State & Private	2,528	2,529	3,246	14,865	20,179	25,159	2,357	9,911	80,774	13,743	46,156	20,875	80,774
	TOTAL	6,261	2,582	3,889	15,870	20,334	25,773	2,491	10,404	87,604	17,981	48,177	21,446	87,604
ALASKA	Federal	21	—	35	12	4	2	—	10	84	34	19	31	84
	Private	Data Incomplete												
	TOTAL	21	—	35	12	4	2	—	10	84	34	19	31	84
ROCKY MOUNTAIN GROUP														
ARIZONA	Federal	675	2	120	93	19	6	8	45	968	698	221	49	968
	State & Private	Data Incomplete												
	TOTAL	675	2	120	93	19	6	8	45	968	698	221	49	968
COLORADO	Federal	111	6	53	65	6	2	3	13	259	182	61	16	259
	State & Private	41	41	36	28	65	1	4	66	282	117	130	35	282
	TOTAL	152	47	89	93	71	3	7	79	541	299	191	51	541
IDAHO	Federal	446	—	36	29	7	2	4	7	531	434	78	19	531
	State & Private	164	19	20	28	24	11	10	39	315	221	49	45	315
	TOTAL	610	19	56	57	31	13	14	46	846	655	127	64	846
MONTANA	Federal	270	1	32	25	6	--	4	8	346	265	64	17	346
	State & Private	118	8	25	31	16	1	15	26	240	189	49	2	240
	TOTAL	388	9	57	56	22	1	19	34	586	454	113	19	586
NEBRASKA	Federal	4	--	—	--	--	--	--	--	4	—	2	2	4
	State & Private	Data Incomplete												
	TOTAL	4	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	4	—	2	2	4
NEVADA	Federal	17	--	2	6	1	1	--	2	29	20	4	5	29
	State & Private	11	—	12	9	4	--	—	3	39	21	10	8	39
	TOTAL	28	—	14	15	5	1	—	5	68	41	14	13	68
NEW MEXICO	Federal	311	—	45	31	6	—	4	13	410	276	116	18	410
	State & Private	23	--	3	5	—	3	5	5	44	28	11	5	44
	TOTAL	334	--	48	36	6	3	9	18	454	304	127	23	454
SOUTH DAKOTA	Federal	59	--	1	6	—	--	—	5	71	56	13	2	71
	State & Private	17	—	3	4	3	--	--	6	33	21	10	2	33
	TOTAL	76	—	4	10	3	—	—	11	104	77	23	4	104
UTAH	Federal	58	1	23	13	2	1	6	3	107	83	16	8	107
	State & Private	5	8	7	8	12	10	—	14	64	26	25	13	64
	TOTAL	63	9	30	21	14	11	6	17	171	109	41	21	171
WYOMING	Federal	75	--	21	15	4	--	--	9	124	101	12	11	124
	State & Private	Data Incomplete												
	TOTAL	75	--	21	15	4	—	—	9	124	101	12	11	124
GROUP TOTAL 1955	Federal	2,026	10	333	283	51	12	29	105	2,849	2,115	587	147	2,849
	State & Private	379	76	106	113	124	26	34	159	1,017	623	284	110	1,017
	TOTAL	2,405	86	439	396	175	38	63	264	3,866	2,738	871	257	3,866

PACIFIC GROUP														
CALIFORNIA	Federal	675	5	60	183	22	41	26	73	1,085	807	195	83	1,085
	State & Private	369	57	55	542	256	186	160	445	2,070	976	755	339	2,070
	TOTAL	1,044	62	115	725	278	227	186	518	3,155	1,783	950	422	3,155
HAWAII	Federal	--	—	—	--	—	--	—	--	--	--	—	--	—
	State & Private	--	--	—	2	1	--	--	4	7	--	2	5	7
	TOTAL	—	--	--	2	1	--	--	4	7	—	2	5	7
OREGON	Federal	582	13	93	92	13	--	29	33	855	604	191	60	855
	State & Private	191	19	31	141	62	19	52	132	647	434	177	36	647
	TOTAL	773	32	124	233	75	19	81	165	1,502	1,038	368	96	1,502
WASHINGTON	Federal	206	--	32	27	8	3	12	15	303	262	37	4	303
	State & Private	159	77	62	168	69	14	37	150	736	544	179	13	736
	TOTAL	365	77	94	195	77	17	49	165	1,039	806	216	17	1,039
GROUP TOTAL 1955	Federal	1,463	18	185	302	43	44	67	121	2,243	1,673	423	147	2,243
	State & Private	719	153	148	853	388	219	249	731	3,460	1,954	1,113	393	3,460
	TOTAL	2,182	171	333	1,155	431	263	316	852	5,703	3,627	1,536	540	5,703
NORTH CENTRAL GROUP														
ILLINOIS	Federal	1	1	3	4	—	—	—	4	13	2	7	4	13
	State & Private	--	32	12	87	243	40	6	40	460	52	215	193	460
	TOTAL	1	33	15	91	243	40	6	44	473	54	222	197	473
INDIANA	Federal	—	—	--	1	—	—	—	1	2	—	--	2	2
	State & Private	—	22	—	72	81	5	—	91	271	30	159	82	271
	TOTAL	—	22	—	73	81	5	--	92	273	30	159	84	273
IOWA	Federal	—	--	--	--	--	--	—	--	--	—	--	--	—
	State & Private	1	—	5	2	8	1	--	4	21	--	11	10	21
	TOTAL	1	--	5	2	8	1	—	4	21	--	11	10	21
MICHIGAN	Federal	10	1	6	15	5	1	1	4	43	24	17	2	43
	State & Private	64	59	71	425	425	27	13	205	1,289	357	831	101	1,289
	TOTAL	74	60	77	440	430	28	14	209	1,332	381	848	103	1,332
MINNESOTA	Federal	8	—	26	17	5	26	3	4	89	47	33	9	89
	State & Private	25	149	52	195	353	72	14	205	1,065	280	404	381	1,065
	TOTAL	33	149	78	212	358	98	17	209	1,154	327	437	390	1,154
MISSOURI	Federal	9	--	11	36	2	67	1	79	205	66	125	14	205
	State & Private	1	19	51	145	916	793	12	96	2,033	270	1,298	465	2,033
	TOTAL	10	19	62	181	918	860	13	175	2,238	336	1,423	479	2,238
NORTH DAKOTA	Federal	2	--	--	1	—	—	—	--	3	—	--	3	3
	State & Private	--	--	--	—	42	—	—	--	42	--	28	14	42
	TOTAL	2	--	—	1	42	—	—	--	45	--	28	17	45
OHIO	Federal	—	—	1	3	1	2	1	9	17	6	10	1	17
	State & Private	3	103	19	92	219	74	1	124	635	135	418	82	635
	TOTAL	3	103	20	95	220	76	2	133	652	141	428	83	652
WISCONSIN	Federal	2	2	1	9	2	2	--	6	24	7	16	1	24
	State & Private	52	134	27	193	226	59	3	205	899	406	433	60	899
	TOTAL	54	136	28	202	228	61	3	211	923	413	449	61	923
GROUP TOTAL 1955	Federal	32	4	48	86	15	98	6	107	396	152	208	36	396
	State & Private	146	518	237	1,211	2,513	1,071	49	970	6,715	1,530	3,797	1,388	6,715
	TOTAL	178	522	285	1,297	2,528	1,169	55	1,077	7,111	1,682	4,005	1,424	7,111

GROUP AND STATE	OWNERSHIP	NUMBER OF FIRES - BY CAUSE									NUMBER OF FIRES - BY SIZE			
		Lightning	Railroads	Campers	Smokers	Debris Burning	Incendiary	Lumbering	Miscellaneous	TOTAL	Under 1/4 Acre	1/4 - 10 Acres	Over 10 Acres	TOTAL
SOUTHERN GROUP														
ALABAMA	Federal	13	--	7	32	1	49	3	10	115	13	81	21	115
	State & Private	65	132	303	1,526	1,654	2,469	254	506	6,909	158	4,098	2,653	6,909
	TOTAL	78	132	310	1,558	1,655	2,518	257	516	7,024	171	4,179	2,674	7,024
ARKANSAS	Federal	46	--	5	22	--	32	1	19	125	36	80	9	125
	State & Private	30	45	71	399	887	776	81	87	2,376	342	1,515	519	2,376
	TOTAL	76	45	76	421	887	808	82	106	2,501	378	1,595	528	2,501
FLORIDA	Federal	99	--	9	36	8	15	11	10	188	56	89	43	188
	State & Private	463	194	179	1,118	1,639	3,517	174	756	8,040	541	4,656	2,843	8,040
	TOTAL	562	194	188	1,154	1,647	3,532	185	766	8,228	597	4,745	2,886	8,228
GEORGIA	Federal	3	--	1	10	--	3	--	11	28	3	21	4	28
	State & Private	320	320	135	1,518	3,267	2,567	663	1,474	10,264	2,832	5,195	2,237	10,264
	TOTAL	323	320	136	1,528	3,267	2,570	663	1,485	10,292	2,835	5,216	2,241	10,292
LOUISIANA	Federal	8	2	4	23	1	21	1	7	67	5	56	6	67
	State & Private	24	34	65	357	429	4,641	137	913	6,600	509	4,498	1,593	6,600
	TOTAL	32	36	69	380	430	4,662	138	920	6,667	514	4,554	1,599	6,667
MISSISSIPPI	Federal	6	--	9	48	10	152	5	18	248	36	155	57	248
	State & Private	24	66	64	993	1,258	3,916	117	497	6,935	166	4,612	2,157	6,935
	TOTAL	30	66	73	1,041	1,268	4,068	122	515	7,183	202	4,767	2,214	7,183
NORTH CAROLINA	Federal	3	—	5	18	6	26	4	9	71	16	44	11	71
	State & Private	63	111	264	822	1,351	573	130	432	3,746	298	1,803	1,645	3,746
	TOTAL	66	111	269	840	1,357	599	134	441	3,817	314	1,847	1,656	3,817
OKLAHOMA	Federal	8	1	3	4	—	8	--	8	32	10	17	5	32
	State & Private	13	1	14	58	73	319	9	36	523	44	315	164	523
	TOTAL	21	2	17	62	73	327	9	44	555	54	332	169	555
SOUTH CAROLINA	Federal	3	2	4	33	11	55	4	7	119	21	60	38	119
	State & Private	38	84	123	1,178	1,077	2,250	128	301	5,179	462	3,288	1,429	5,179
	TOTAL	41	86	127	1,211	1,088	2,305	132	308	5,298	483	3,348	1,467	5,298
TENNESSEE	Federal	5	2	17	9	2	59	—	17	111	29	68	14	111
	State & Private	6	50	556	192	982	781	75	185	2,827	87	2,095	645	2,827
	TOTAL	11	52	573	201	984	840	75	202	2,938	116	2,163	659	2,938
TEXAS	Federal	3	—	11	48	2	20	3	20	107	21	77	9	107
	State & Private	12	38	183	676	576	490	147	52	2,174	394	1,261	519	2,174
	TOTAL	15	38	194	724	578	510	150	72	2,281	415	1,338	528	2,281
GROUP TOTAL 1955	Federal	197	7	75	283	41	440	32	136	1,211	246	748	217	1,211
	State & Private	1,058	1,075	1,957	8,837	13,193	22,299	1,915	5,239	55,573	5,833	33,336	16,404	55,573
	TOTAL	1,255	1,082	2,032	9,120	13,234	22,739	1,947	5,375	56,784	6,079	34,084	16,621	56,784

EASTERN GROUP														
CONNECTICUT	Federal	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	State & Private	5	3	19	201	252	54	—	105	639	185	405	49	639
	TOTAL	5	3	19	201	252	54	—	105	639	185	405	49	639
DELAWARE	Federal	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	State & Private	1	—	—	12	36	2	6	6	63	14	40	9	63
	TOTAL	1	—	—	12	36	2	6	6	63	14	40	9	63
KENTUCKY	Federal	—	—	—	15	1	8	—	7	31	8	16	7	31
	State & Private	1	24	118	421	403	222	6	120	1,315	21	498	796	1,315
	TOTAL	1	24	118	436	404	230	6	127	1,346	29	514	803	1,346
MAINE	Federal	—	—	1	5	1	4	—	2	13	10	2	1	13
	State & Private	59	3	64	137	96	34	30	67	490	216	237	37	490
	TOTAL	59	3	65	142	97	38	30	69	503	226	239	38	503
MARYLAND	Federal	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	State & Private	2	8	14	140	102	44	6	55	371	76	248	47	371
	TOTAL	2	8	14	140	102	44	6	55	371	76	248	47	371
MASSACHUSETTS	Federal	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	State & Private	—	54	25	365	1,597	279	—	1,300	3,620	1,685	1,801	134	3,620
	TOTAL	—	54	25	365	1,597	279	—	1,300	3,620	1,685	1,801	134	3,620
NEW HAMPSHIRE	Federal	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	3	1	—	4
	State & Private	35	27	28	120	113	33	9	98	463	320	133	10	463
	TOTAL	39	27	28	120	113	33	9	98	467	323	134	10	467
NEW JERSEY	Federal	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	State & Private	12	51	12	867	217	106	—	68	1,333	397	764	172	1,333
	TOTAL	12	51	12	867	217	106	—	68	1,333	397	764	172	1,333
NEW YORK	Federal	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	State & Private	64	51	215	560	354	102	15	359	1,720	357	1,059	304	1,720
	TOTAL	64	51	215	560	354	102	15	359	1,720	357	1,059	304	1,720
PENNSYLVANIA	Federal	—	—	—	3	—	—	—	1	4	2	1	1	4
	State & Private	13	245	214	350	195	139	7	96	1,259	147	706	406	1,259
	TOTAL	13	245	214	353	195	139	7	97	1,263	149	707	407	1,263
RHODE ISLAND	Federal	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	State & Private	—	—	—	17	45	12	—	55	129	17	100	12	129
	TOTAL	—	—	—	17	45	12	—	55	129	17	100	12	129
VERMONT	Federal	2	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	3	2	1	—	3
	State & Private	14	—	5	20	33	8	9	21	110	40	64	6	110
	TOTAL	16	—	5	20	33	9	9	21	113	42	65	6	113
VIRGINIA	Federal	9	5	—	27	3	7	—	7	58	25	23	10	58
	State & Private	16	178	50	490	376	134	13	249	1,506	282	1,017	207	1,506
	TOTAL	25	183	50	517	379	141	13	256	1,564	307	1,040	217	1,564
WEST VIRGINIA	Federal	—	9	1	1	—	—	—	7	18	2	11	5	18
	State & Private	4	63	34	151	142	375	9	213	991	46	554	391	991
	TOTAL	4	72	35	152	142	375	9	220	1,009	48	565	396	1,009
GROUP TOTAL 1955	Federal	15	14	2	51	5	20	—	24	131	52	55	24	131
	State & Private	226	707	798	3,851	3,961	1,544	110	2,812	14,009	3,803	7,626	2,580	14,009
	TOTAL	241	721	800	3,902	3,966	1,564	110	2,836	14,140	3,855	7,681	2,604	14,140

AREAS BURNED BY FOREST FIRES IN THE UNITED STATES, BY TYPE CLASSES - CALENDAR YEAR 1955

PROTECTED AREAS ONLY - BY STATES AND GROUPS OF STATES

GROUP AND STATE	OWNERSHIP	PROTECTED AREA BURNED			
		Forest Land	Non-Forest Land	TOTAL	Average Area Per Fire
		Acres	Acres	Acres	Acres
UNITED STATES (Exclusive of Alaska)	Federal	190,529	173,488	364,017	53.30
	State & Private	2,139,141	309,050	2,448,191	30.31
	TOTAL	2,329,670	482,538	2,812,208	32.10
ALASKA	Federal	11,972	22,613	34,585	411.73
	Private	Data Incomplete			
	TOTAL	11,972	22,613	34,585	411.73
ROCKY MOUNTAIN GROUP					
ARIZONA	Federal	9,311	18,365	27,676	28.59
	State & Private	Data Incomplete			
	TOTAL	9,311	18,365	27,676	28.59
COLORADO	Federal	1,609	1,065	2,674	10.32
	State & Private	800	2,801 2/	3,601	12.77
	TOTAL	2,409	3,866	6,275	11.60
IDAHO	Federal	2,528	3,462	5,990	11.28
	State & Private	756	7,030 2/	7,786	24.72
	TOTAL	3,284	10,492	13,776	16.28
MONTANA	Federal	1,896	3,850	5,746	16.61
	State & Private	63	283	346	1.44
	TOTAL	1,959	4,133	6,092	10.40
NEBRASKA	Federal	3	95	98	24.50
	State & Private	Data Incomplete			
	TOTAL	3	95	98	24.50
NEVADA	Federal	—	3,202	3,202	110.41
	State & Private	13	1,499 2/	1,512	38.77
	TOTAL	13	4,701	4,714	69.32
NEW MEXICO	Federal	1,053	284	1,337	3.26
	State & Private	131	26	157	3.57
	TOTAL	1,184	310	1,494	3.29
SOUTH DAKOTA	Federal	15	1	16	.23
	State & Private	13	260 2/	273	8.27
	TOTAL	28	261	289	2.78
UTAH	Federal	673	375	1,048	9.79
	State & Private	215	782 2/	997	15.58
	TOTAL	888	1,157	2,045	11.96
WYOMING	Federal	2,700	2,763	5,463	44.06
	State & Private	Data Incomplete			
	TOTAL	2,700	2,763	5,463	44.06
GROUP TOTAL 1955	Federal	19,788	33,462	53,250	18.69
	State & Private	1,991	12,681	14,672	14.43
	TOTAL	21,779	46,143	67,922	17.57

2/ Includes "Non-Forest Critical Watershed Area" statistics as follows:

	Area Burned (Acres)
Colorado	2,424
Idaho	6,407
Nevada	1,499
South Dakota	6
Utah	781

PACIFIC GROUP					
CALIFORNIA	Federal	85,351	65,152	150,503	138.71
	State & Private	92,195	116,946 2/	209,141	101.03
	TOTAL	177,546	182,098	359,644	113.99
HAWAII	Federal	—	—	—	—
	State & Private	703	120	823	117.57
	TOTAL	703	120	823	117.57
OREGON	Federal	15,606	2,618	18,224	21.31
	State & Private	13,812	15,878	29,690	45.89
	TOTAL	29,418	18,496	47,914	31.90
WASHINGTON	Federal	176	66	242	.80
	State & Private	1,090	202	1,292	1.76
	TOTAL	1,266	268	1,534	1.48
GROUP TOTAL 1955	Federal	101,133	67,836	168,969	75.33
	State & Private	107,800	133,146	240,946	69.64
	TOTAL	208,933	200,982	409,915	71.88
NORTH CENTRAL GROUP					
ILLINOIS	Federal	253	3	256	19.69
	State & Private	7,146	4,131	11,277	24.52
	TOTAL	7,399	4,134	11,533	24.38
INDIANA	Federal	77	—	77	38.50
	State & Private	1,765	1,186	2,951	10.89
	TOTAL	1,842	1,186	3,028	11.09
IOWA	Federal	—	—	—	—
	State & Private	431	71	502	23.90
	TOTAL	431	71	502	23.90
MICHIGAN	Federal	320	16	336	7.81
	State & Private	4,314	3,218	7,532	5.84
	TOTAL	4,634	3,234	7,868	5.91
MINNESOTA	Federal	108	36,499	36,607	411.31
	State & Private	17,831	20,713	38,544	36.19
	TOTAL	17,939	57,212	75,151	65.12
MISSOURI	Federal	764	4	768	3.75
	State & Private	22,828	2,062	24,890	12.24
	TOTAL	23,592	2,066	25,658	11.46
NORTH DAKOTA	Federal	8	246	254	84.67
	State & Private	265	103	368	8.76
	TOTAL	273	349	622	13.82
OHIO	Federal	47	1	48	2.82
	State & Private	1,026	1,787	2,813	4.43
	TOTAL	1,073	1,788	2,861	4.39
WISCONSIN	Federal	259	53	312	13.00
	State & Private	1,216	2,258	3,474	3.86
	TOTAL	1,475	2,311	3,786	4.10
GROUP TOTAL 1955	Federal	1,836	36,822	38,658	97.62
	State & Private	56,822	35,529	92,351	13.75
	TOTAL	58,658	72,351	131,009	18.42

2/ Includes "Non-Forest Critical Watershed Area" statistics as follows:

	Area Burned (Acres)
California	116,559
Hawaii	--

GROUP AND STATE	OWNERSHIP	PROTECTED AREA BURNED			
		Forest Land	Non-Forest Land	TOTAL	Average Area Per Fire
		Acres	Acres	Acres	Acres
SOUTHERN GROUP					
ALABAMA	Federal	1,147	1	1,148	9.98
	State & Private	206,624	2,052	208,676	30.20
	TOTAL	207,771	2,053	209,824	29.87
ARKANSAS	Federal	554	36	590	4.72
	State & Private	32,597	--	32,597	13.72
	TOTAL	33,151	36	33,187	13.27
FLORIDA	Federal	22,427	1,696	24,123	128.31
	State & Private	399,222	16,246	415,468	51.68
	TOTAL	421,649	17,942	439,591	53.43
GEORGIA	Federal	3,910	4	3,914	139.79
	State & Private	234,112	22,333	256,445	24.98
	TOTAL	238,022	22,337	260,359	25.30
LOUISIANA	Federal	272	--	272	4.06
	State & Private	100,077	--	100,077	15.16
	TOTAL	100,349	--	100,349	15.05
MISSISSIPPI	Federal	2,453	23	2,476	9.98
	State & Private	94,807	9,049	103,856	14.98
	TOTAL	97,260	9,072	106,332	14.80
NORTH CAROLINA	Federal	26,853	32,308	59,161	833.25
	State & Private	564,275	32,107	596,382	159.21
	TOTAL	591,128	64,415	655,543	171.74
OKLAHOMA	Federal	225	28	253	7.91
	State & Private	29,856	--	29,856	57.09
	TOTAL	30,081	28	30,109	54.25
SOUTH CAROLINA	Federal	5,848	1,030	6,878	57.80
	State & Private	125,919	5,286	131,205	25.33
	TOTAL	131,767	6,316	138,083	26.06
TENNESSEE	Federal	1,431	37	1,468	13.23
	State & Private	26,725	4,796	31,521	11.15
	TOTAL	28,156	4,833	32,989	11.23
TEXAS	Federal	405	1	406	3.79
	State & Private	20,680	3,649	24,329	11.19
	TOTAL	21,085	3,650	24,735	10.84
GROUP TOTAL 1955	Federal	65,525	35,164	100,689	83.15
	State & Private	1,834,894	95,518	1,930,412	34.74
	TOTAL	1,900,419	130,682	2,031,101	35.77

EASTERN GROUP					
CONNECTICUT	Federal	—	—	—	—
	State & Private	1,582	628	2,210	3.46
	TOTAL	1,582	628	2,210	3.46
DELAWARE	Federal				
	State & Private	380	—	380	6.03
	TOTAL	380	—	380	6.03
KENTUCKY	Federal	372	19	391	12.61
	State & Private	27,458	6,744	34,202	26.01
	TOTAL	27,830	6,763	34,593	25.70
MAINE	Federal	3	14	17	1.31
	State & Private	1,361	421	1,782	3.64
	TOTAL	1,364	435	1,799	3.58
MARYLAND	Federal	—	—	—	—
	State & Private	1,440	432	1,872	5.05
	TOTAL	1,440	432	1,872	5.05
MASSACHUSETTS	Federal	—	—	—	—
	State & Private	3,098	6,125	9,223	2.55
	TOTAL	3,098	6,125	9,223	2.55
NEW HAMPSHIRE	Federal	—	1	1	.25
	State & Private	409	256	665	1.44
	TOTAL	409	257	666	1.43
NEW JERSEY	Federal	—	—	—	—
	State & Private	20,681	779	21,460	16.10
	TOTAL	20,681	779	21,460	16.10
NEW YORK	Federal	—	—	—	—
	State & Private	10,615	12,512	23,127	13.45
	TOTAL	10,615	12,512	23,127	13.45
PENNSYLVANIA	Federal	20	1	21	5.25
	State & Private	31,871	1,903	33,774	26.83
	TOTAL	31,891	1,904	33,795	26.75
RHODE ISLAND	Federal	—	—	—	—
	State & Private	269	428	697	5.40
	TOTAL	269	428	697	5.40
VERMONT	Federal	1	—	1	.33
	State & Private	138	63	201	1.83
	TOTAL	139	63	202	1.79
VIRGINIA	Federal	1,638	169	1,807	31.16
	State & Private	15,310	531	15,841	10.52
	TOTAL	16,948	700	17,648	11.28
WEST VIRGINIA	Federal	213	—	213	11.83
	State & Private	23,022	1,354	24,376	24.60
	TOTAL	23,235	1,354	24,589	24.37
GROUP TOTAL 1955	Federal	2,247	204	2,451	18.71
	State & Private	137,634	32,176	169,810	12.12
	TOTAL	139,881	32,380	172,261	12.18

SUMMARY OF 1955 FIRE WEATHER

Region 1 - Idaho and Montana

Season average to below average.

Region 2 - Colorado, Nebraska, South Dakota, and Wyoming

Fire season longer and more severe in both Colorado and Wyoming; near normal in Nebraska and South Dakota.

Region 3 - Arizona and New Mexico

Hazardous spring, wet summer and dry fall.

Region 4 - Nevada and Utah

Drought conditions existed in Nevada, but conditions were favorable in Utah.

Region 5 - California

Sustained periods of extreme fire danger. One of worst periods ever experienced in the State.

Region 6 - Oregon and Washington

Fire weather conditions slightly more severe than in 1954, but remained below normal.

Region 7 - Connecticut, Delaware, Kentucky, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Vermont, Virginia, and West Virginia

Season throughout the Region was relatively normal with some seasonal hazards.

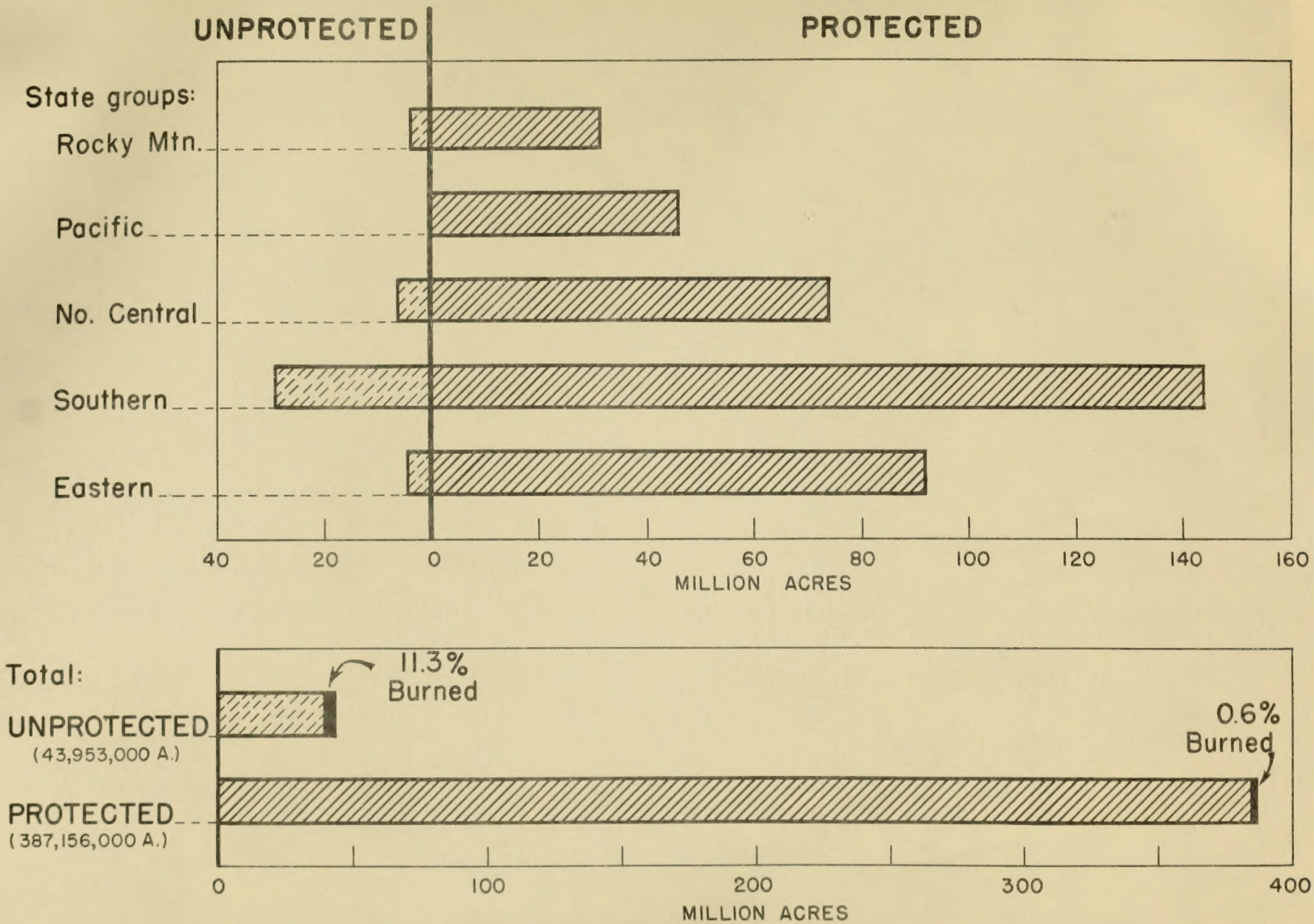
Region 8 - Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi North Carolina, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tennessee, and Texas

Except for Mississippi and Texas the balance of the Region experienced drought conditions which caused extreme fire conditions.

Region 9 - Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, North Dakota, Ohio and Wisconsin

Iowa, Michigan, and Minnesota had rather hazardous conditions; the balance of the Region showed moderate to low fire conditions.

STATUS OF STATE AND PRIVATE FOREST LAND PROTECTION C.Y. 1955



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